

House Resolution No. 236

Whereas, from time to time the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are called upon to honor remarkable Show-Me State couples who have experienced the good fortune of success in marriage, a most delightful task which this legislative body embraces with great enthusiasm; and

Whereas, the union of Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Birkenholz, residents of rural Hopkins, Missouri, is characterized by their enduring affection and serves as a glorious illustration of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, Linwood and Margaret Birkenholz commemorated the joyous occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary with a special celebration on December 27, 2003, at the Pickering Community Building; and

Whereas, as they proudly marked this splendid milestone in their life, Linwood and Margaret Birkenholz undoubtedly looked back with satisfaction upon all that has transpired since they pledged their eternal love to one another and began their long, joyful walk down life's path; and

Whereas, it was six wondrous decades ago that Linwood Birkenholz and Margaret Schildknecht joined their hands, their hearts, and their lives together in a solemn nuptial ceremony on December 28, 1943, in Red Bank, New Jersey; and

Whereas, over the course of the past sixty years, Linwood and Margaret Birkenholz have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include two sons and two daughters-in-law, Louis and Cheryl Birkenholz of Hopkins and Lawrence and Kara Birkenholz of Independence; and their grandchildren, Jesse and Leslie Birkenholz of Hopkins; and

Whereas, Linwood, a United States Army veteran of World War II, and Margaret Birkenholz have distinguished themselves as a remarkable couple, whose sixty years of shared joy and contentment so beautifully illustrate the strength, grace, and splendor of the lasting marriage bond:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Linwood and Margaret Birkenholz upon the joyous occasion of their Sixtieth Wedding Anniversary and in further wishing them continued happiness in the years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Linwood Birkenholz.

Offered by _____
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 236, adopted January 29, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker